

**REMARKS**

A. Request for Reconsideration

Applicant has carefully considered the matters raised by the Examiner in the outstanding Office Action but remain of the position that patentable subject matter is present. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the Examiner's position based on the above amendments to the specification and claims and the following remarks.

B. New Declaration

The Examiner objected to the Declaration and a new Declaration is provided herewith.

C. Specification

The Examiner reminded Applicant of the proper language and format for an Abstract. A Substitute Abstract adhering to proper language and format is provided herewith. The Substitute Abstract does not exceed 150 words in length.

D. Claim Objection

The Examiner objected to the claims and suggested certain amendments. These suggestions are appreciated and adopted herein.

Claim 1 had been objected to because of the following informality: -- in line 19 of claim 1, "grooves" -- appears to be --"groove"--. Claim 1 has been amended herein to correct this informality.

E. 112 Rejection

Claims 2-6 had been rejected under 35 USC 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for using the term "preferably" in claim 2 and "for instance" in claim 3.

Claims 2 and 3 have been amended herein to delete these terms.

Respectfully, the claims now presented herein are definite.

F. Allowable Subject Matter

The Examiner is thanked for indicating in paragraph 6 of the Action that claim 1 is allowable, after the required appropriate correction to the aforementioned objection has been provided. Claim 1 has been amended herein to overcome this objection.

G. Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance and such action is respectfully requested. Should any extensions of time or fees be necessary in order to maintain this Application in pending condition, appropriate requests are hereby made and authorization is given to debit Account # 02-2275.

Respectfully submitted,

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